

VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH PARK COMMISSION
Wednesday, February 15, 2006
Village Hall Building

The regular meeting of the Village of Antioch Park Commission convened and was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Members Present:

Jeffrey Benes
Wayne Foresta
Tom Kessell
Julie Konvalinka
Jim Weber
Gina Wolf

Others Present:

Laurie Stahl, Parks Director
Trustee Bob McCarty
Danielle Stahl

Absent:

Chris Lienhardt

Upon motion made by Wayne Foresta and seconded by Tom Kessell, the minutes of the January 18, 2006 Village of Antioch Park Commission Board meeting were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Welcome new Park Board Member- Laurie Stahl welcomed new Park Board member Gina Wolf.

Easter Parade/Hunt: April 8th- Laurie Stahl asked the park board members to help with the Easter Parade and Egg Hunt. Helpers should meet at the Little League field in Williams Park at 9 a.m. to set up the egg hunt. The parade starts at 10:30 am and the line-up starts around 9:30 a.m., Laurie will have the exact times at the next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2006 Park Improvement Plan- First Draft- The first draft of the Park Improvement plan was included in the packet given to the park members. Laurie Stahl asked the members if they have any concerns or additions they would like to make to the first draft. Trustee Bob McCarty wanted to know if improvements could be made to the "Standard Oil Building" at Williams Park in order to make the building more useful for the parks and possibly include bathrooms in the building. Tom Kessell would like to get estimates on the costs involved for improving the building. It was also suggested that the Lions Club along with the Parks Department could be involved in the improvements.

Bob McCarty reported that the Village Board will be voting on the PHN contract on the February 20, 2006 meeting. Tom Kessell inquired about skate park additions and Laurie Stahl reported that she had looked into adding 3 cement pieces to the existing park. Tom Kessell wanted to know what the plans were for the park property at Tiffany Farms. Laurie Stahl suggested that an architect or planning company could be hired to help develop the land and do a park study. A walking path was suggested for Tiffany Farms and possibly looking into an observation tower or deck for the Pulte Parkland for next year's budget. It was also questioned if there are any plans to develop the land at Abby Estates.

Trevor Creek Parkland Update- Laurie Stahl did not have a report on this because Keith Fujihara has been out sick and she could not get a hold of him for an update. Bob McCarty stated that the legal opinion is that the Village would have to help pay to haul dirt from the parkland to have it done right and that any plans would need to be approved by the Village board. Laurie will talk to Mike to get this on the Village board's agenda.

White Tower Farm Update- Laurie is also waiting to hear back from Keith Fujihara for the update on White Tower Farm. There was a discussion about adding to Park Ordinance that specifies the improvements to parkland by the developer. It was suggested to invite Bob Silhan and the village attorney to a future park board meeting to discuss adding more specifics to the park ordinance.

Park Impact Fee Report- This report was included in the packet given to the park board members. The report shows that the two separate accounts have been moved into one account. It was questioned how much money is actually in the park improvement fund. Bob McCarty wanted to know if the purchase of land is included in this report. Laurie Stahl stated she could print out a separate report of expenditures and ask for the bank statement of the account.

Daddy Daughter Date Night- Laurie Stahl suggested that the ticket price should be raised next year from \$10 a couple to \$15 for residents and \$25 a couple for non-residents. It was also brought up if it should be open to non-residents or to only allow Antioch residents to this event. Laurie also suggested that we could differentiate between village and township residents by opening registration to village residents first and then townships residents. Laurie will also make sure to advertise the event in newspapers next year and advertise the fact that there is a 700 ticket limit. Tom Kessell wanted to make sure that the costs of the pageant and Easter Egg Hunt, justify raising the ticket price for DDDN. It was agreed upon by the park commission not to sell tickets to non-residents next year.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

STAHL - Laurie is working on the Spring/Summer park program book and it should be delivered to schools before Spring Break.

BENES – Nothing

FORESTA-Nothing

KONVALINKA- Brought up the clearing of brush at Peterson Park and to not clear all the trees and bushes around the water.

KESSELL- Nothing

WEBER- Nothing

LIENHARDT- Absent

There being no further business to come before the Village of Antioch Park Commission, Tom Kessell made a motion to adjourn, and was seconded by Julie Konvalinka. The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 15, 2006 at Village Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Chris Lienhardt, Chairperson

Danielle Stahl, Acting Secretary